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Veterans Services Burial Commission seeks members

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich. – The Veterans Services Burial Commission of Macomb County is seeking applications from veterans of the 1991 Persian Gulf War or the current war in Iraq to fill two open positions on the commission.

One position was vacated with the resignation of Commissioner Henry Brown, while the second seat is newly created. One applicant will serve the remainder of Brown's term, until Aug. 1, 2008. The term for the new position runs from April 1 through June 30 and then will be re-authorized for a full four-year term.

The Veterans Services Burial Commission of Macomb County meets once a month on the first Wednesday of each month. The commission oversees the Veterans' Services department, reviews new benefits offered by the federal government and reviews applications for the \$300 burial allowance.

Those wishing to apply must be veterans living in Macomb County and provide a letter of recommendation from their veterans service organization signed by the post commander. Applicants also must get an endorsement from a current member of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners.

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Applications are available at the Veterans Services Department, located in the VerKuilen Building at 21885 Dunham Road, Suite 3, in Clinton Township.

Applications are due by Feb. 28. The 26-member Board of Commissioners is scheduled to vote on March 22 to select the new veterans burial commission members.

For more information, call Veterans Services Director Richard at 586-469-6507.

About Macomb County

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 834,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.